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Sheriff

## Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office

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### **Jail Medical Staff Follows Infectious Disease Protocol** Inmate Showed Symptoms of Possible Meningitis

**Milwaukee, WI – Medical staff at the downtown Milwaukee County Jail quarantined a pod of inmates who were in close proximity to an inmate who was taken to the hospital to be treated for symptoms hospital staff thought might be meningitis. Inmates in the pod were given preventive medication in the event tests proved positive. At this time, tests have ruled out meningitis and the hospital has removed the inmate from isolation. The quarantine in the jail has also been lifted.**

**Sheriff Clarke said, “We have a sense of urgency on any infectious disease, especially with a population that lives in close contact as they do in the jail setting.”**

**The preventive measures are standard protocol for the medical staff, who work in conjunction with local doctors who specialize in infectious disease control.**

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